

LETTER TO A LIBERAL

By James L. Brewer

(Under the heading "Spiritual Frustration in America" in February ONE we used as our point of departure the attack by a fundamentalist preacher, the Rev. William E. Allen of Rochester, N.Y., on liberal preachers. Following the usual custom, Mr. Allen baited the liberals as being reds or red dupes.)

On behalf of the liberals, the Rev. David Rhys Williams, minister of the First Unitarian Church, Rochester, answered Allen in the letters column of a Rochester newspaper. In this answer Williams equates the methods of McCarthyism, Communism and Fascism as all being essentially un-American. He speaks of "the undercover subversion of creeping communism." We regret lack of space to print the Williams letter in full. However, it is apropos of the support his letter gives to McCarthy's premise, namely, the diabolic nature of Communism, that we are printing an open letter to Williams by his friend, James L. Brewer, the well-known Rochester attorney. We urgently commend Brewer's message to all Protestant ministers in America who remain in any degree alive to the terrible danger facing this continent.)

Dear David Rhys Williams:

In the recent striking, religious controversy in the Rochester, N.Y. community, precipitated by the open attack of a rampant, "fundamentalist" Protestant clergyman on "liberalist" Protestantism, the former ascribed a subversive complexion to the latter's social gospel and admitted as quite proper the invasion of the religious field by anti-subversive congressional inquiry, come to be known familiarly as "McCarthyism". In your published comment you have purported to disabuse the gentleman and others like him of a sad misunderstanding of the great damage to be sustained by the church on this procedure.

Participating in the controversy as an outstanding liberal, religious leader, you have characterized these critics as "likely to add to the general confusion of our times rather than to help in clarifying the fundamental issues now before us."

Unfortunately, your exposition, for its part, may be regarded as exhibiting a moral confusion as to the uppermost fateful issue of our time, the gravest concern for responsible religionists, and rapidly coming to the fore, of vastly greater consequence for salutary understanding in the globally ailing world of today than the objectionable attitude of fundamentalist religionism you dealt with.

You appear to attempt to placate the fundamentalist Protestant religionist in the savagery of his attack on a liberal Protestantism, characterized by him as Communist-infected, by representation of full belief in the church liberal in a menace of a "creeping communist" subversion in the nation, albeit to be considered less immediate a fear than a pro-fascist surge of McCarthyism to be apprehended in the latter's invasion of the church, and given the approval of the belligerent, hell-fire cleric.

But lending of liberal support to the hateful and biased premise of the utter evil of the Communist phenomenon as of satanic menace to democracy and religion lamentably may imply a disposition of attempted inattention of that premise's terroristic manifestations, immunity over-reward toward warding off personal smear pursuit, and carrying implied prostitution of political status-quo respectability.

There could be no greater assurance of the flourishing of the McCarthyist pro-Fascist drive than the aid and comfort in added fueling laterally given it in a schizophrenic, liberalist, safety-conscious quiescence in its basic appeal.

The maintenance of an unabated peak of the curse-Russia popular hysteria is the whole motive force and stock-in-trade of McCarthyism,

and the Liberal's unrestrained acquiescence in it seems no less than tantamount to an ignominious jackalism in service of a Holy War promotion.

A silly contribution of the sort is found in a sermon disquisition by Dr. Homer A. Jack, prominent Illinois clergyman, entitled, it seems satirically, "Is McCarthy a concealed Communist?" Highly sensitive to the thrust of McCarthyism into the church he paints it "an American adaptation of the big lie of Nazism and the smear of communism."

But Dr. Jack cannot speak explosively enough of Communist evil. He says, "It is a danger to our institutions, to our nation, to our whole free world and all mankind," and, to him, a double-barreled evil, indeed, "since it masquerades as a good."

And not less a personage than Methodist Bishop Oxnam, under fire as of leftist taint, may be found resorting to a measure of skin-saving appeasement of the inquisitors in pointing a finger of deviation-suspicion at two of the noblest figures of Christian integrity and courage in the American church.

World-wise thinking today, without axes to grind in the premises, has come to realize there is no remedy to McCarthyism other than to disarm it of its simple basic and primary strategic weapon, first of all by effecting a change in the all-enveloping, factitious climate of diverted popular opinion, the "propagation of the faith" of pervading hate-communist hysterics, attaining recognition of the Communist phenomenon as a legitimate challenge of humanist competition to the western world.

Jane Addams, noted social worker, said many years ago: "Above all, the Soviet Union has provided the challenge to the vitality and good faith of opposed systems, recognized as necessary to freedom from Milton to Mr. Justice Holmes."

No more penetrating and evocative summons of perceptive people to supreme bestirment in regard to basely false, disintegrative premises of the actual subversive forces in ruinous operation today in American government and political and social life, against democratic order and peace promotion in a sick world, could be uttered than the resounding exhortation of the Princeton University scholar, H. H. Wilson, of its department of government, appearing in the Nation magazine of Nov. 21, 1953, under the solemn title, "The Crisis of Democracy."

Primarily the American society is experiencing an infliction of devastating corruption of the democratic process, says Dr. Wilson, in the cynical disregard by the U. S. Department of Justice of the basic value of a democratic society, namely, the worth, dignity and integrity of the individual. Not to mention many sinister implications of the attorney general's sensational, political, smear attack on former President Truman as harboring the late Harry Dexter White, a high government official, as a "Russian spy". Dr. Wilson finds the use made by Herbert Brownell, of the decidedly unsubstantiated charge against a man who is dead, "a brutal act which shows a profound contempt for our society."

And let the dire fact not be ignored, that such base smear procedure has been accepted as official Republican Party strategy to be featured by use of the demagogic McCarthy as star performer in the 1954 election campaigning.

Not the least accusing aspect of the degradation, according to Dr. Wilson, is "revealed by Pres. Eisenhower's amazingly casual handling of the issue, of apparent insensitivity to a fantastic development."

Dr. Wilson sees a deliberate and sweeping attempt being made to discredit and destroy the liberal tradition in American society, and not being a warfare confined to the Communists. Corruption of the democratic process is implicit in the quality of the current debate and discussion of political activity generally, "a condition created by acceptance of the most gigantic hoax of our generation, the so-called domestic 'Communist Menace'." The hypnosis of this hoax, he says, must be maintained to sustain as accessory the loyalty mania propaganda in a desperate campaign of blasting the memory of the era of New Deal achievements and the Roosevelt prestige of reversing national disaster.

Dr. Wilson wondered "if the democratic party is still bemused by the hoax of communism which is being used to process smear campaign material or frontal assault on democratic values."

(He may be advised now by the Senate's almost unanimous renewal of the McCarthy raiding authority with increased funds.)

He asked "if the sole organized group in America of sufficient responsibility for effective action have become too befuddled by anti-communist propaganda to recognize the injection of poison into its own blood stream."

"Democrats should know by now," says Dr. Wilson, "that the voters consider the republicans to be superior witch-hunters. It would seem astute, therefore, for democrats to concentrate on disabusing voters of their belief in the prevalence of witches. The 'communist conspiracy,' a small brush fire in 1946-48, has become a raging conflagration. It may turn out to be the funeral pyre of the Democratic party."

At a recent dinner of the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee in honor of Corliss Lamont, distinguished scholar and author, for his notable stand in directly challenging subversive activities inquisitors on First Amendment constitutional grounds, Dr. Wilson declared that the job was squarely up to liberals "to disabuse the voters of the internal threat of communism and expose the hoax before the whole American people."

Dr. Lamont in his turn declared: "As soon as we start making exceptions to the Bill of Rights in any direction we are lost."

Among a number of pamphlets of Lamont's dealings with the Civil Liberties crisis and pertinent to this discussion is "Soviet Aggression: Myth or Reality?"

The progressive National Guardian has given warning to democrats and labor of a fatal flaw in their accepting the challenge of McCarthyism in its throwing down the gauntlet of stepping-up the anti-Communist crusade he vows now to "make them bleed heavily").

It no less than plays into the McCarthy hand, with shrewd and demagogic use of it by him to bolster his attack on democracy and peace. Such action concedes, it is held, "the Big Lie of Communist Conspiracy" silly-nilly to help him reduce the issue to "who fights Communism better." This fatal flaw, the warning continues, "is McCarthy's trump card in his effort to pin the tag of treason on everybody from Communists to New Dealers, to the Fair Dealers, to the peace seekers mounting a fight back to the Bill of Rights and return to construction of a peace-time economy."

In this confusion of world crisis Armageddon we see the initial, promising statesmanship of Adlai Stevenson today in subjection to an amazingly dogmatic, political myopia in stigmatizing the vast Communist movement "a satanic world-wide conspiracy".

Hindu liberals on his recent world-wide jaunt asserted their interest in him to be in more than just "Yankee talk", being disappointed by his familiar phrasing of all the world issues in terms of the conflict with communism.

Critics coming to look upon Stevenson as almost fanatically possessed of anti-red obsession incline to view him a veritable slick rendition of McCarthyism.

The January New World Review stated: "The time has come for the American people to resist more vigorously the poisonous campaign to depict the Soviet Union as an aggressive power, which is the chief weapon of those who are in continued militarization and war alarms looking for the only way out of the depression all the economists were predicting at the year's (1953) end."

No clearer penetration of the shortcoming of liberal church approach to the challenge has been made than a discussion of "Protestant leadership and the Congressional Inquisition" by editor and publisher, Kenneth Neslie, in the August '53 issue of the religious magazine, One, which cannot be dwelt upon too often in the gathering crisis of the times. He says: "There is a growing feeling of alarm in the United States about

the various forms of control which are inexorably and swiftly moulding the land to the form of a military or police state.

"Many educational and church groups are giving voice to the alarm which has taken as its focus the activities of Senator McCarthy. But there is one sad feature in all the 'alarm'. Practically every resolution condemning so-called McCarthyism begins and ends by accepting his premise, that Communism, however understood, is an unmitigated evil and must be fought. The 'alarm' too often turns into a bid to fight the 'enemy more effectively than congressional committees fight it so that the cleric or the educator finds himself on the same side of the fence with the Committee and arguing with it simply on methods.

"The trend toward clerical-fascism can never be stopped until it is realized that while we may and should argue methods with the Communists, we should realize that Communists are on our side in most aspects of the war against Fascism, and that moreover the struggle to avoid all dictatorship, even that of the proletariat, can only be made in alliance with every force that increases democratic safeguards and diminishes arbitrary power. The only possible excuse for Communist dictatorship is democratic failure in the tasks of economic adaptation to technological change. But in this continent democratic failure will issue first in Fascist dictatorship, and that is what the church-business alliance is trying to prepare the ground for.

"A Communist dictatorship can never issue from a freely functioning democracy. A freely functioning democracy can embrace all and any part of the positive Communist program if it wishes to do so, while remaining thoroughly democratic. Democracy moves toward Fascism, on the other hand, by yielding its constitutional prerogatives, one by one, under the hypnotic spell of fear-of-Communism. And here's the important point. The road back to democracy from Fascism must pass through Communist dictatorship.

"This is why our spiritual leaders are so wrong to play any part in developing on this continent the hate-Communism hypnosis under which, if it continues, full-fledged Fascism will be introduced."

He quotes Prof. Josef Hromadka of Czechoslovakia as presuming to recognize that in Communist countries a process of political surgery is taking place; cancerous growth may be removed, albeit healthy flesh is sometimes lost through excess zeal. But the surgery is a very minute part of it, he says. The new organisms throb with the life of creative adventures. He concludes, "It is disastrous to great illness to be anti-surgeon."

Leslie would see a challenge of Communism in that it is "re-educating Christianity, bringing it down to its roots in the Judaism of Jesus, and putting it back on a revolutionary basis where it belongs."

Startling attainment of an apex in the advance of brutish McCarthyism as basal Fascist-breeding, burst upon a complacent public in his recent near unanimous Senate vote of confidence in increased operating funds.

In contempt of earlier presidential expression favorable to witch-hunt abatement in the coming campaign months the new funds were elicited by promise of intensification of vindictive prosecution in a brazen mockery of the principle of constitutional limitation of Congressional inquiry to obtaining evidence strictly as basis for legislation.

Press finds its deduction from the Senate performance to be that the politicians, from both parties, moreover, do not consider it job-healthy for them to impede the familiar anti-red crusading furor.

It develops then that the republican political organization officially embraces McCarthyism as a campaigning asset for the coming elections to make full use of its services in putting the Communist label on the democratic opposition, and the rampant Wisconsin Senator embarks on a Lincoln Day campaign tour whose theme is "Twenty years of Democratic Treason, Government of, by and for Communists, Crooks and Cronies, Corrupted by Idiocy of Truman, Deceit of Acheson and the Red Slime of a White (Harry Dexter White)".

Mrs. Agnes E. Meyer, writer and civic leader, affiliated with the Washington Post, discussing McCarthyism before a Barnard College forum, envisaged a smear campaign, "the dirtiest the nation had ever seen," any liberal labelled "a left-winger, pink or communist."

As bearing on the confusion of mind in America today, commented upon the aspect of spiritual frustration as crisis in the church in the January issue of One, illustrated by the Rochester, N. Y. religious controversy, Mrs. Meyer may well be seen taking enlightened Americans to task for letting McCarthyism get away with its dire subversiveness.

"Knowledge, reason and the pursuit of truth are in retreat amongst us," she says. "I speak from experience when I assert that freedom of mind, speech and criticism can be pursued only at risk of one's reputation as a loyal American.... People of critical intelligence upon whom the healthy progress of democracy depends have allowed themselves to become intimidated by demagogues in Congress and in local communities."

The Nation, in pointing out that for the first time in its history America is confronted by a demagogue of national appeal, declares the situation most grave is the fact that his tactics have been prepared for him by the high priests of the mass communication media, the Press, that has been in Rochester to hush up the religious imbroglio. "Attempts to answer McCarthy by reliance upon Reason," it says, "are undercut by the cultivation of unreason and the destruction of the critical intelligence habits inculcated by the hucksters."

No more challenging testimony to the state of spiritual frustration evident today could be furnished than recent, startling findings of a seminar of theologians under the leadership of Pres. Henry P. Van Dusen of Union Theological Seminary on "Religion and the Great Issues of the Day." There is a pronounced growth in church but a more or less appalling drop in morality, "one of the most surprising and overlooked facts in America," says Dr. Van Dusen.

No less a witness to the spiritual crisis, Dr. Williams, appears the awesome failure of your placatory overtures to the fundamentalist Allen, even when you ascribe to him honest and patriotic intentions. And when you lump together, for his mollification, Communism, Fascism and McCarthyism being three birds of a feather, he merely comes back with a deepened renewal of his scorn for the "social gospel" with an "eternal curse on liberal religion."

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THE REAL REASON FOR THE COLD WAR

(continued from February)

By Fred Stover

Welles Tells

Once firmly in power the aggressive and expansionist aims of the Nazis were open and unconcealed. Hitler began to threaten his neighbors in preparation for his announced war against the Russians (Drang Nach Osten). He demanded a chunk of Czechoslovakia. Chamberlain of England and Daladier of France flew to Munich to put their o.m. on the sellout. Sumner Welles, who from within the State Department had inside knowledge of what took place wrote: "The agreements of Munich confirmed the convictions of the Soviet government that the Western powers strove to keep Germany from the West only by turning her to the east (Time for Decision, p. 322, by Welles). The high political priests and financiers in Europe, and in the U. S. also, reasoned that when Hitler marched east to kill Russians it would not only make possible the complete collapse of the Soviet government but it would also undermine the Germans and weaken them, so that they could once again be "put in their place".

Then the big monied industrialists and monied men in England, France, and the U. S. and other countries could take full advantage of the situation.

Dulles' Past

Dulles himself was chosen to represent all New York Banks when he went to Berlin in 1933 and made a deal that gave Hitler's government one billion dollars and established credit Hitler needed for his rearmament program.

Most farmers are not aware of Dulles' past, but now since he is Secretary of State it is necessary to look into it and see the record of the one who is now directing U. S. foreign policy.

They should also look into the record of Allen Dulles who heads the Central Intelligence Agency with its far-flung, world spy system known as "project x". Shrouded in mystery "project x" makes no accounting of the millions it spends for its army of "cloak and dagger" operatives scattered over the face of the globe.

England and France fought Hitler only after it became evident that it was not only the Russians but the whole world the Nazi butchers intended to bring under their control. The point we wish to make here is that Munich was not only a sellout of a weak country by England and France enabling Hitler to have an open hand for war on the Russians, but it was also a sellout of their own people.

One of the Russian leaders put the Munich deal this way: "The plan of the British reactionaries is to sacrifice the small states of South-eastern Europe to German Fascism so as to direct Germany eastward--against the U.S.S.R....but the British are digging their own graves with their predatory plans."

Roosevelt, too, warned the world against Hitler when he called for action to "quarantine the aggressor". It might be recalled here also that the main attacks in the big business press against Roosevelt came after he made his "quarantine the aggressor" speech in Chicago, Oct. 5, 1937.

Appeasement Double-Talk

It is necessary to show the relationship between Mr. Dulles and the policies he pursues, and the appeasement of Hitler, because today there is much talk about "appeasement". It is the very same gang who appeased Hitler and aided him to make war on mankind, who today are crying the loudest about "appeasing" the Russians. They are the advocates of the cold war, and in their capacity as policy makers in the government are appeasing every dictator in the world, including Rhee, Chiang, Franco, and the old Nazi gang in Germany in an effort to line up a bloc of nations to carry out the original aim of Hitler and Munich to "war against Russia".

The so-called "isolationists" of the 1930's, who wanted to give Hitler free rein in his march to the east, are today the interventionists who station U.S. troops all over the world for the next try--World War III.

The New Men of Munich

The new Munich policies advocated by John Foster Dulles, who dictated foreign policy to Truman as well as to Eisenhower, are a complete reversal of the Good Neighbor policies under Franklin Roosevelt. These new men of Munich are interested in profits and exploitation, not in the welfare of the people. They seek to extend their investments all over the world and to milk these investments dry, leaving the people to live in hunger and disease. Consequently we are reaping hatred all over the world for the foreign policy imposed upon us by Dulles and the financial interests he represents.

It is indeed strange that a nation that fought for freedom under George Washington should today be the most powerful force on earth to perpetuate colonialism and absentee exploitation by foreign monopolies. It is indeed strange that a nation that has prided itself in internal democracy is today furnishing the armaments to perpetuate "white man's rule" in colonial areas. It is strange that a nation that fought a civil war under Lincoln to eradicate the plantation system with slavery in favor of the family type farm is today using guns and bribes to maintain regimes in power throughout the world that are based on feudal agricul-

re. This entire betrayal of all we have stood for in the past is justified, so the argument goes, in the name of opposing communism, in the name of furthering the cold war against Russia and China. Boiled down, this betrayal is perpetuated so that Wall Street investors can collect dividends on worthless Czarist stocks and bonds.

tax-payer to Redeem Worthless Bonds

During the recent session of Congress, a bill was passed providing that holders of Weimar German bonds will be paid off 100 cents on the dollar plus $5\frac{1}{2}$ per cent interest. Most holders of these bonds had written them off as a bad investment: but now this bill was pushed through Congress and the U.S. taxpayers will foot a bill of between one and two billion dollars to reimburse the financiers who bought these bonds. Text-books on economics say that interest on bonds and dividends on stock are merely a payment for "risk" in case the stocks or bonds prove worthless; but when taxpayers are forced to bear the "risk", traditional economics are found inapplicable.

This bill to pay off the worthless German bonds is another example of the new economics of "socializing the losses and individualizing the gains". It is also an example of the powerful pressures from business circles to get their money out of worthless stocks and bonds; and so it should be no surprise, that these same interests are organizing to capitalize on their now worthless stocks and bonds held from the days of Czarist Russia.

Dulles and Benson Must Go

After examining present U.S. foreign policy, one conclusion is inescapable. For our own part, we Americans will have to eradicate the Munich minded people headed by John Foster Dulles, who control our State Department. As long as Dulles is head of our State Department and as long as he openly calls for a "war of liberation" against Russia, there can be little hope of expecting Russia and China of agreeing to national suicide on Dulles' terms.

Just as getting rid of Ezra Benson as Secretary of Agriculture is important from the standpoint of achieving parity for farmers, likewise getting rid of Dulles and his followers is important from the standpoint of achieving peace. Both men are hopeless reactionaries, each leading toward complete disaster in his respective fields. New policies are needed--policies of negotiation of real differences, policies of encouragement to peoples who want to throw off foreign rule as we did in 1776, and policies of mutual trade in goods and services for the benefit of living standards of people.

There are those who fear a sudden depression if we should be able to achieve a peaceful settlement of world problems. There may be grounds for these fears. For preparing for war has become our nation's major industry. If this program of military stockpiling ends, peacetime jobs must be found for an equal amount of production.

During the depression of the 30's, a pump priming program was begun to add to the purchasing power of the people so that the wheels of industry could turn. Again, now in the 1950's a practical solution to preventing a depression is a new program for constructive purposes rather than for the wasteful and destructive purpose of building a military machine.

Larger New Deal

With a gigantic program for schools, roads, hospitals, flood control, funds to education and recreation, slum clearance and a real farm program, the United States could open new avenues toward welfare and at the same time provide the necessary purchasing power among the people to prevent depression. Instead of borrowing the money for these projects from the bankers and thus increasing the national debt, the government should levy a new and stiffer excess profits tax and thus put the excess profits of the monopolies back into circulation where these monies belong.

The choice before America is welfare or warfare, atomic blessing or atomic blasting. The choice is a wasteful war program with constantly de-

declining standards of living as taxes and inflation eat away people's income or a constructive program for improving our communities and for keeping buying power in circulation. A certain amount of government planning is here to stay; and the question is: Will it be used for construction or destruction?

Now with atomic power, man has within his power the possibility of wiping out all life on this planet. But man also faces the challenge to use this atomic power for good, to create a new era, an era so dazzling that all advances in the past will dwindle into insignificance.

Atomic energy gives mankind the power to move mountains, to lift the burden of toil off the backs of millions of people, to release the common people the world over from hunger and poverty and to transform the earth into a land of abundance and security.

All that stands between us and the achievement of this promise is the fear and greed and hate of a handful who put private profit above the public welfare. That is why they spread lies and hatreds about people in other lands. They know that with truth comes understanding and with understanding comes love and with love comes an end to hatred and fear and the enthronement of reason in human affairs.

The Political Record on Peace and Parity

Twice since the beginning of the cold war, the people have voted for peace and parity. Twice they were tricked by campaign demagoguery. There is nothing on the land or under the sea as slippery as an election promise unless the voters nail it down and keep the candidates clinched to the issue. Eisenhower's 1952 Peace and Parity campaign has already been mentioned. Some may want to give him the benefit of the doubt, or more time to bridge the gap between promise and performance.

His appointment of Dulles and Benson removed all doubt for many Americans. Most of them will give him credit for the truce in Korea. But if he lets Dulles have his way, and he continues to appease Syngman Rhee and the China Lobby we will not have real peace.

And most assuredly Eisenhower cannot be so politically naive as to believe that his "golden promise" of full parity will be carried out by appointing officials and Farm Commission members who are and have been committed against a Government program for parity, or even 90 percent of parity.

To make the lame excuse and explanation, that some have made for him, that he did not mean parity by means of government programs is no answer. Why did he as a candidate for President make the parity pledge at all if he as President was not to be instrumental in achieving parity? Further, most farmers don't care whether they get parity with or without a government program. If Ike can induce the packers and millers to pay the farmer parity, well and good.

But from all the speeches that Benson and his aides have been making, there will be no full parity program drafted by them.

They are bemoaning farm "surpluses" and their only solution is to force farmers to reduce production by way of giving them the poverty treatment -- lower prices until they quit producing. They know very well that this will result, not in disposing of farm production, but of farmers.

Instead of a Brannan Plan to dispose of farm surpluses we have a Benson Plan to dispose of surplus farmers. Neither is in surplus. Only political reaction is in surplus.

To rant about surplus food when one of the world's major problems is getting enough food, and when we don't even have adequate reserves or diet for ourselves is not only a reflection on American ingenuity but also anti-humanitarian.

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--From a message from the Evangelical Church of Czech Brethren to Protestants throughout the world.

...even those of you who have good intentions to 'deal' with the so-called Eastern world, first declare the efforts of this world as something basically evil and worthy of condemnation -- and only then are ready, with a condescending patience and a certain pathos of self-righteousness, to negotiate a kind of modus vivendi with it.

We are proud to receive the following verses from the well-loved Scottish leader and parliamentarian, William Gallacher, who writes, in introduction to his poem:

"This, as you will know, is the anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns, the sweet singer of Scottish songs and the Rebel fighter against privileged tyrants here and elsewhere.

"In your current issue of 'One' you have a phrase 'The foundation of 1 is the simple song.' This kept running around in my mind and what with one thing and another I strung together the enclosed lines."

Who will hold the Pass?
And free our Land
Where Fascist Beasts
A vile and treacherous band
Shall stir men's souls
To mad unreasoning fear
And make them deaf
So that they may not hear
The call of peace

Who will hold the Pass?
Until the night is gone
And from the East
There comes the welcome dawn
To spread its light
Across the war-black sky
And bring the day
For which the people cry
The day of peace

Who will hold the Pass?
While danger grows apace
When former friend
Will turn away his face
And cringing, seek for safety
On the other side
Bereft of manhood
And bereft of pride
--And peace

Who will hold the Pass?
With courage strong
And lift our hearts
With melody of song
A song of love
To circle round the world
While high o'er-head
We see a flag unfurled
The flag of peace

Lo "One" will hold the pass
Against the advancing foe
While others faint
And from the entrenchments go
With strong right hand
He'll wield the Sword that slays
The mammon god and --
On high altar raise
The Prince of Peace

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Robert Whitaker, the great Baptist revolutionary preacher and poet, whose death was a deep loss to your editor, wrote the following beautiful lines long before we changed our name to "One". Here in song the spirits of the Christian Whitaker and the Marxian Gallacher meet and are one.

PROPHECY

Not wars, but peace, shall bless the world,
Not self, but social sense;
When all provincial flags are furled,
And, as the midnight skies are pearled
As glorious as immense,
So shall humanity be one,
And everywhere one law shall run,
One love of mutual service, whence
The common will is done.
Glory shall rest on every race,
For all there shall be plentious place,
For all a growth in every grace
That flowers beneath the sun,
Or ever loom hath spun.

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